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The Need For Spying

✓ Even if the United States and the Soviet Union agree on a completely effective disarmament treaty, there still will be need for intelligence "as a necessary check on Soviet veracity," says Allen W. Dulles, former director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Doubting that talks at Geneva will produce an arms inspection agreement — the stumbling block to all disarmament negotiations since the nuclear age began — Dulles nevertheless feels that an exchange of arms information "would mean we'd put ourselves in their hands."

—For example, they would hand us a blueprint of their missile situation.

How would we know that is correct? It could only be by testing it out, by finding out, that we would know whether any such disposition was true, any such showing was factual. To find that out will need intelligence.

Dulles recalled that the Soviet rejected President Eisenhower's open skies proposal. That would have permitted both the United States and the Soviet Union to look down and see what the other fellow is doing. Dulles favors the open skies idea over any other inspection agreement that might come out of Geneva. We must agree that reasons he gives are persuasive. Anything else depends on words, not sight.